

To: Yeh, Alice[Yeh.Alice@epa.gov]
From: Judith S. Weis
Sent: Mon 7/14/2014 7:31:20 PM
Subject: RE: Participation on a panel

Did they adopt that name because they think they're smarter than everyone else? ;-)

> The Intelligence Group is a consultant to one of the potentially
> responsible parties (Tierra Solutions, Inc.).
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Judith S. Weis [mailto:jweis@andromeda.rutgers.edu]
> Sent: Monday, July 14, 2014 3:21 PM
> To: Yeh, Alice
> Subject: RE: Participation on a panel
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> Thanks. I know Peter De Fur from decades ago but haven't seen him in an
> age.
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> PS "The Intelligence Group" sounds like a consultant to the CIA rather
> than an environmental group!
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>> I realized that I never answered your question about the other people
>> on the panel - here they are:
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>> Phil Spadaro, The Intelligence Group
>> Paul Schoeder, U.S. Corps of Engineers Peter deFur, Environmental
>> Stewardship Concepts Richard Plambech, Passaic River Coalition Bill
>> Potter, demaximis, inc.
>> Marc Helman, Port Authority of NY/NJ
>> Mustafa Altinakar, Univ of Mississippi
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Judith S. Weis [mailto:jweis@andromeda.rutgers.edu]
>> Sent: Friday, July 11, 2014 12:15 PM
>> To: Yeh, Alice
>> Subject: Re: Participation on a panel
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>> I know a lot about contaminant effects in the area of Newark Bay but
>> don't know all that much about CAD - I would be willing to serve on
>> the panel provided that's ok with you! Who are the other people on the
>> panel? (This is going to be in the afternoon, right?) Judy
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>>> I am helping the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) organize a
>>> forum on confined aquatic disposal (CAD) vs. off-site disposal for
>>> Passaic River dredged sediments. The forum will be on July 22, 2014
>>> at 9am-12pm (see attached flyer).

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>>> I am looking for experts to serve on the panel who can speak to the
>>> potential impacts of a CAD cell on the Newark Bay environment.
>>> Reyhan Mehran (NOAA) and Tim Kubiak (USFWS) recommended that I ask
>>> whether you would be willing to participate on the panel.

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>>> As you know, in April 2014, EPA issued a Proposed Plan for cleaning
>>> up the lower 8 miles of the Lower Passaic River. The Proposed Plan
>>> evaluates four options for the cleanup and describes EPA's preferred
>>> option, which is to cap the lower 8 miles with sand, with some
>>> dredging so that the cap does not cause additional flooding and to
>>> allow for the continued use of the federal navigation channel in the
>>> 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay. EPA is seeking public comment on the
>>> Proposed Plan until August 20, 2014. EPA is particularly interested
>>> in receiving comments on the pros and cons of a CAD in Newark Bay,
>>> and whether EPA should include CAD or off-site-disposal in its final
>>> cleanup plan. The purpose of this forum is to foster discussion on
>>> all sides of the issue, so as to allow people to submit informed
>>> written comments.

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>>> At the forum, the audience will submit questions in writing to a
>>> moderator, who will read them to the panel for response. You would
>>> have the option of making a 10-15 min presentation, or just
>>> responding to questions.

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>>> Please let me know if you would be interested in serving on the panel.

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>>> If you have any questions, please contact me at 212-637-4427 (or
>>> e-mail works!).

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>>> Alice Yeh
>>> Project Manager
>>> EPA

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